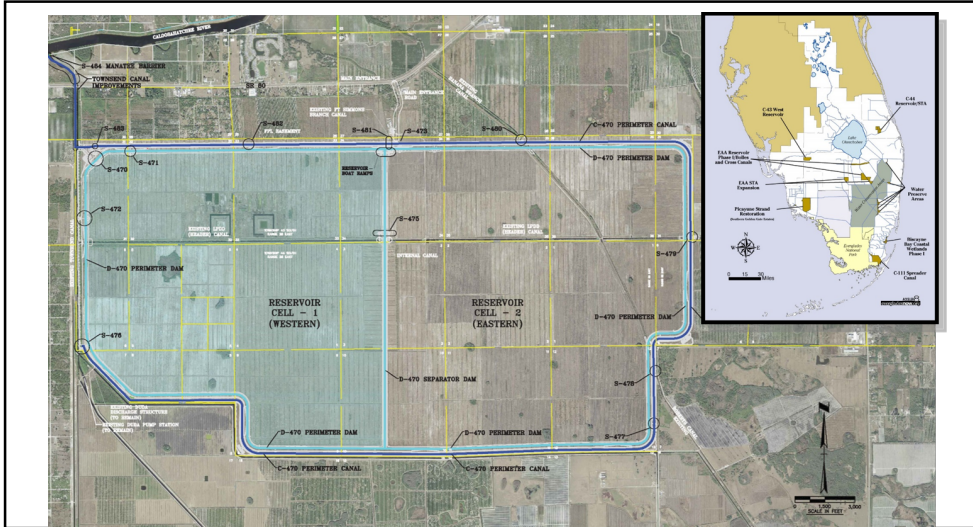


Caloosahatchee River (C-43) West Basin Storage

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PROJECT PURPOSE:

Located on 10,700 acres of former farmland in Hendry County, the Caloosahatchee River (C-43) West Basin Storage Reservoir will hold approximately 170,000 acre-feet of water. The reservoir is part of an overall solution to restore the river and estuary that includes water quality improvements, storage and operational changes.

Project Benefits

- ❑ The restoration project will provide storage needed for the Caloosahatchee River and Estuary by capturing and storing local basin runoff and Lake Okeechobee regulatory releases, reducing discharges reaching the estuary.
- ❑ The project will provide fresh water during the dry season to help balance salinity levels.
- ❑ Helping sustain a healthy nursery for fish in the estuary will help support recreational and commercial fishing.

Project Timeline

2017

Construction of seven earthen mounds utilizing a total of 2 million cubic yards was completed.

2019

Construction of a pump station to ensure water supply for adjacent landowners was completed.

2023

Completion of the 1500 cubic feet per second (cfs) inflow pump station and the embankment perimeter canals and other major features are expected to be completed.



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